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METHODS FOR PRODUCTION OF NUCLEIC ACID PROBES

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated March 30, 2000, be extended for a period of one month from May 30, 2000 to and including June 30, 2000.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$55.00 (small entity). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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